

Oaks Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

# Oaks Notes



## Acorns on the Ground

### Lessons from Ike



*Oaks Christian Church is a family church that loves to share God's word, God's Love, and God's fellowship with the world. We are a church in the near inner loop that strives to be a helpful part of the community. We are about Deep Christian spirituality, a true community and a passion for Justice. We celebrate communion every Sunday service and all who believe are welcome to receive.*

thanksgiving after the storm because we survived. We continue to pray for people who live in Galveston and other coastal communities who have literally in many cases lost everything.

We pray for people who were hurt and injured and we pray for those families that have lost loved ones in death. The death toll continues to rise as workers go through the debris and discover more victims.

Houston and the surrounding area will be recovering from Ike for quite a while. But let's remember some of the lessons we have learned from this disaster. The lessons of loving and caring for one another, the lesson of helping out our friends and neighbors and family members. Most of all let's remember the lessons in prayer and then continue to pray everyday. May we be eternally thankful unto God for all of God's blessing and may we follow Jesus Christ in Service.

*Reverend Randy Burke*



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Well, Hurricane Ike has been here and now is gone but we will be dealing with the effects of this storm for a long time. How did you come out as a result of this great storm? All of us lost electricity for a while and there may even be some who are still without it as I pen these words on September 30.

I think in the long run though, we will be better people, stronger Christians for having gone through this hurricane. It has made us pray more. We prayed for protection before the storm, we prayed for God's watch and care over us during the storm and we offered prayers of

## OAKS CHRISTIAN CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER 2008



## October Birthdays

Elizabeth Wharton	1
Raynette Stanley	3
Kathy Pintsch	4
Bettie Bell, Karen Spaulding, Larry Scruggs, Jonathan Burke	6
Debra Powell	7
Patricia Staley	8
Tara Nobles	10
Michael Spencer	12
Homer Greene	14
Crissa Clawson, Gene Murray	15
George Flott	16
Mark E. Conover, Roy Horn, Kathy King, Jimmye Saldivar	19
Joyce McQueen	21
Kathryn Whitley	22
Aaron Hursman, Richard Smith	24
Mike Morris	25
Susan Shipman	26
Patsy Gonzales	29
Kyle Spencer	30

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let the Church Office know.

## And October Anniversaries

Matt and Christen Scantlin;	11
Rick and Robin Croix	
Chris and Verna Lamb	18
Roy and Marceil Horn	21
George and JoNell Hajovsky	27
Stephanie (Shipman) Maronge	28

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5				CWF - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 6		
Bread Sunday Continental Assembly 7		6	7	8	9	10
		CWF Love Meals 8	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal 9	CWF - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 10		11
12	13	14	15	*16	**17	**18
Board Mtg. Scrap booking - Crafting 12		CWF Visitation 13	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal. 14	CWF - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 15	Memorial for Eddie Volotko	
**19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	PIE DAY 20	PIE DAY 21	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal. 22	CWF - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 23		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Scrap booking - Crafting 26		CWF General Meeting 27	Praise Ringer Choir Rehearsal. 28	CWF - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. 29		

If you have something for the calendar, please let the Church Office know.

**\*Memorial Service for Eddie Volotko on October 16th at 10:00 a.m.**

### Sunday School and Worship services

Sunday School and morning worship will take place as usual every Sunday in October. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday morning worship at 10:45 a.m.

### Church Office

The Church Office is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you have a pastoral emergency call the pastor's cell number.



Pastor Randy Burke's Phone #'s  
832.729.1598 - Cell  
713.983.0717 - Home



Smile!  
Jesus Loves  
You!

### A Note from Verna Lamb



Sunday, October 12th and 26th will have a "Scrap booking/Craft Day" in Kirchner Hall. It will be after lunch (around 2 pm) and is open to

ALL! Please join us for some fun and fellowship.



**Organic God**, a six week woman's bible study started on Thursday, September 25th. It's not too late to get started. Come and Join us. We meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays in the Kitchen.

**\*\*October 17th – 19th - Regional Assembly - Ft. Worth, TX**

Fall Festival to Be Announced.

## Announcements, Thank You Notes, Church Attendance and Treasurer Report



### Christian Women's Fellowship News: - Barb Scantlin

We are gearing up for our famous Apple Pies! We will be preparing them on October 20th and 21st (Mon & Tues) evenings at 6:00 p.m. We make the crusts on the first evening and peel apples and put them together on the second evening.

Pies will sell for \$8.00 per pie. We are short on storage space in the freezer; so if you can come and pick them up on the 21st, that would be a big help. Otherwise as soon as possible.

Orders will start to be taken on October 5. There will be an insert in the bulletin or you may place your order with Barb Scantlin.

This is a church wide event. We need your help to make them. Peeling of the apples is a sit down job and mixing the crumb topping are where we need the most help! Come and fellowship and have some fun!

### Veteran's Day Celebration

#### Katie Spencer

Hello Everyone!

I want to remind you that on November 9, 2008 we will be celebrating Veteran's Day. We will have a luncheon after church and all Veteran's of our church are asked to please bring pictures, scrap-books artifacts or whatever you feel like bringing. This day is to celebrate all people who have served and are serving America. This can be you, spouse, son, daughter, father, mother, brother sister, etc.



We will be setting up tables in Kirchner to put your personal Veteran memorabilia on.

Please let me know if you are bringing something so I will know how many tables to put up. We of course would like you to invite your families to share in your celebration.

Please call 832.767.4481 to let me know.

I would like to thank those that sent cards, called, and lifted my family in prayer at the loss of my father on September 10 in Wichita, KS.

Barb and I are very grateful for the love that is shown so often at Oaks and especially at an hour of need.

Sincerely,  
Bill Scantlin

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 With Many Thanks  
 We can see God's love at work in the warmth of helping hands,  
 In the comfort that a gentle word imparts,  
 In thoughtfulness that offers cheer,  
 In love that understands...  
 We can see God's love at work in caring hearts.  
 Dear Oaks,  
 God bless you for being so kind - It meant even more than you know. Much Love from, "The Refugees" who stayed at Oaks after Ike.  
 Linda Dalmasso and "Merrie Belle",  
 Pat and Larry Scruggs and "Bingo", and  
 Sonja and Tyson Davis.  
 Amanda Bradley  
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### August Church Attendance

Attendance for the Month of August 2008	Sunday School	Church Attendance
August 3	23	75
August 10	28	74
August 17	34	90
August 24	32	64
August 31	29	69
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>372</b>

### From the Treasurer - Dorene Drake

Operating Account	June	July	August
Deposits	\$11,371.96	\$8,865.59	\$10,374.74
Disbursements	-\$13,362.97	-\$13,614.05	-\$12,683.00
Difference	-\$1,991.01	-\$4,748.46	-\$2,308.26

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## Oaks Christian Church

*Bound Together in Love*



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
FOR MANNA'S  
THRIFT SHOP**

**For more information  
Contact Marie at  
(713) 686-6440  
Please note: Web site  
is down.**



**2008 CCSW Regional Assembly**  
**October 17th - October 19th**  
**University Christian Church & TCU,**  
**Fort Worth, Texas**

VISIT [www.ccsw.org](http://www.ccsw.org) for registration information, hotels and scheduling or call us in the church office for printed information.